MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT

Fire Science Certificate

THIS ARTICULATION AGREEMENT is between any Kansas high school student who has successfully completed a state approved *Law, Public Safety, Corrections & Security* Career Cluster and the *Emergency & Fire Management Services* (43.0299) Pathway and *Barton Community College,* Great Bend, Kansas. It will provide students with a smooth transition from high school to a postsecondary program/degree in Fire Science training. The intent of this cooperative effort is to provide the students with a non-duplicative program of study leading to enhanced employment opportunities.

NOW, THEREFORE, it is agreed by and between the parties as follows:

- 1. The secondary student will attain concentrator status through successful completion of his/her high school Career Cluster Pathway sequence of courses.
- Barton Community College will provide the courses listed on the attached program of Study/Course Sequence form
- 3. The Certificate in Fire Science studies may be granted through the Barton Community College joint agreement. The awarding of such a certificate is contingent upon the graduating high school's continuance of their KSDE approved Career Cluster Pathway.
- 4. Successful completion of the following *Emergency & Fire Management Services* Career Cluster Pathway course(s) will result in the student being awarded college credit for the following equivalent course(s):

High School Courses	KS Course Code	College Courses	College Credit
Successful completion of: Fire Science I	44100	FIRE 1200 Firefighter I	5
Fire Science II	44101	FIRE 1203 Firefighter II	4
EMT*	44060	EMTS 1500 Emergency Medical Technician	12

- Postsecondary Credit will be considered Advanced Placement Credit, and will be awarded upon student submission to the college of the student's high school transcript. To gain EMT credit, proof of obtaining their Kansas Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) certification must be provided.
- 2. Details regarding credit awards and fees are outlined below:
 - a. College credit will only be awarded for a grade of "C" or better.
 - b. No fee will be assessed for the college credit awarded.

- c. College credits will be available for award after the student has successfully completed the next course in the sequence *Introduction to Fire Science*.
- 3. To receive a Fire Science Certificate, students must complete 24 hours of as outlined in the program of study. Students must have a cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 2.0 or better to be eligible for a Certificate from Barton Community College.
- 4. The college and any high schools offering the approved Career Cluster Pathway may advertise the programs and will jointly advise the students that this option is available to them.
- 5. This agreement may be revised/modified as needed, or in the event of cancellation, discontinuance or disapproval of any course or program by the Kansas State Department of Education or the Kansas Board of Regents.
- 6. The college agrees to evaluate this program on an annual basis and in the context of student benefits, program efficiency, and effectiveness.
- 7. This agreement shall begin January 1, 2012.
- 8. This agreement is subject to change or cancellation by the Legislature at any time in accordance with Article 6, Section 5 of the Kansas Constitution.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties accept and approve THIS AGREEMENT.

Robin Harris	9-28-11
KSDE Representative	Date
Carl Heilman	9-8-11
Barton Community College President	Date